

**The City of Springfield, Ohio
City Commission Special Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 2, 2021 – 2:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting via ZOOM Internet Application**

In an effort to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus, a special virtual meeting was called to order by President Copeland following three public hearings. Roll call was answered by Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue and Mr. Copeland.

The invocation was offered by Mr. Copeland, who then led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, members approved the minutes of the February 16, 2021, Public Hearings and Legislative Meeting as presented.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

FIRST READINGS—ORDINANCES

The following legislation was read by title only for the first time and requires presentation at a second regular meeting before vote on passage:

56-21 Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Cropland Lease Agreement [2021-2025] with Clem Farms LTD, to lease 37.99 acres at the Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport, of which 34.89 acres are tillable farmland, and confirming and approving services provided by Clem Farms LTD from December 1, 2020 to the passage of this Ordinance.

57-21 Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Cropland Lease Agreement [2021-2025] with Jeremy and Taylor Renner Farm to lease approximately 579.04 acres at and near the Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport in Clark County, Ohio, of which 530.5 acres are tillable farm land; and confirming and approving services provided by Jeremy and Taylor Renner Farm from December 1, 2020 to the passage of this Ordinance.

58-21 Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Cropland Lease Agreement [2021-2025] with Berner Farms, to lease 308.758 acres in the vicinity of the City's Water Treatment Plant, of which 235.754 acres are tillable farmland, and confirming and approving services provided from January 1, 2021 to the passage of this Ordinance.

59-21 Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Cropland Lease Agreement [2021-2025] with Clarks Farm Market LLC, to lease 103.889 acres in the vicinity of the City's Water Treatment Plant, of which 99.159 acres are tillable farmland, and confirming and approving services provided from January 1, 2021 to the passage of this Ordinance.

60-21 Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Airport Vegetation Management Agreement [2021-2025] with Jeffrey A. Goodbar, to manage vegetation growth on 33.14 acres at the Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport, and confirming and approving services provided by Jeffrey A. Goodbar from December 1, 2020 to the passage of this Ordinance.

Dr. Estrop noted the cropland and vegetation agreements are positive for both the service provided to the City and the income for the farmers and property maintenance providers.

61-21 Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Development Incentive Agreement (Single Family Residential Development) with Rock Powers as Power of Attorney for Janice L. Powers, to provide for sewer services to real property outside the City limits.

62-21 Authorizing the purchase of one AEBI Terratrak Model TT281+ 109HP Tractor and one SEPPI SMWA AUS200 Mount Mulching Mower for an amount not to exceed \$240,603.00, from Steinke Tractor Sales, Inc., through the Ohio Department of Transportation Cooperative Purchasing Program in accordance with the provisions of Section 5513.01(B) of the Ohio Revised Code.

~~~~~ Next regular City Commission meeting: March 16, 2021. ~~~~~

**SECOND READINGS—ORDINANCES**

The following legislation was presented for a second time:

**5-21 Ordinance No. 21-53: Amending the Zoning Map of Springfield, Ohio by rezoning 0.17 acre at 366 Ludlow Avenue, Springfield, Ohio from RS-8, Medium-Density, Single-Family Residence District to CN-2, Neighborhood Commercial District.**

On motion of Mr. Rue, seconded by Mrs. Chilton, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**6-21 Ordinance No. 21-54: Amending the Zoning Map of Springfield, Ohio by amending the Limestone Center Planned Development District located at 1600 North Limestone Street.**

On motion of Mr. Rue, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**72-20      Ordinance No. 21-55:    Authorizing the exercise of the City's option to renew the Parking Management Agreement with Republic Parking System, LLC, for downtown parking management services, for an amount not to exceed \$220,000.00.**

Mr. Rue asked for additional detail on the downtown parking plan. City Manager Heck explained \$85,000 of the proposed agreement is for the operation and management of the parking garage. The balance of the authorization could be used for capital expenditures if the City Commission chooses to implement parking meters and parking control devices during the contract period. If not, the authorized funds would not be used during the current renewal period.

Mr. O'Neill asked if there were funds remaining from the previous year. Mr. Heck noted the existing agreement was for one year beginning in 2020 with six one-year renewal options. Funding was only expended for the parking garage's first year of operation. Mr. Heck noted \$85,000 is budgeted for operations but may not require the entire amount.

On motion of Mr. Rue, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**30-21      Ordinance No. 21-56:    Authorizing the City Manager to accept and continue an Energized Community Grant ("Grant Agreement") through the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council ("NOPEC") in an amount up to \$64,018.00 to be used for implementation of energy savings or energy infrastructure measures; authorizing the City Manager to renew and continue an existing Grant Agreement; and authorizing the City Manager, Law Director and the Director of Finance to do all things necessary in accordance with the Grant Agreement and to comply with all relevant local, state and federal legal requirements.**

Dr. Estrop asked for additional detail of the proposed energy-saving activities planned with the grant funds offered by NOPEC. Assistant to the City Manager Cobbs explained a plan for using this year's grant allotment had not been determined, but previous projects included a replacement roof for Fire Station No. 1, replacement lighting upgrades at the airport and the Service Center, and a replacement roof for the airport's flight school building.

Mr. O'Neill asked for additional detail on how citizens may opt out of the electrical aggregation program. Finance Director Beckdahl reminded commissioners the aggregation agreement with NOPEC for electrical services is ongoing until the City chooses to leave the aggregation. Springfield citizens who wish not to participate can contact NOPEC directly.

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**31-21      Ordinance No. 21-57:    Authorizing the purchase of eight 2021 Ford Police Interceptors from National Auto Fleet Group, for an amount not to exceed \$306,463.68, through Sourcewell, pursuant to the Sourcewell Contract Purchasing Cooperative Program, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9.48 of the Ohio Revised Code.**

Dr. Estrop stated the funding for new Police vehicles is available due to the citizens' support of the income tax levy for public safety upgrades. Mr. Heck explained the new police vehicles would replace older vehicles in the Police fleet which are in use all day every day. Mr. Heck noted that the older vehicles removed from the Police fleet are passed down to other city departments until they can no longer be used.

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**32-21      Ordinance No. 21-58:    Authorizing the issuance of a purchase order for the purchase of five Low Floor Cutaway Buses from Transportation Equipment Sales Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$1,355,195.00.**

Mr. Beckdahl stated the five proposed buses would replace aging vehicles in the existing bus fleet and would be completely funded by state and federal funding.

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mrs. Chilton, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**33-21      Ordinance No. 21-59:    Authorizing and directing the City Manager to select certain identified parcels of real estate that constitute non-productive lands and to notify the Prosecuting Attorney or the County Auditor of Clark County, Ohio, as the case may be, pursuant to Sections 5722.03 and 5722.04 of the Ohio Revised Code that the City wishes to acquire said parcels pursuant to the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5722 and Ordinance No. 98-293, passed August 25, 1998 and to do all things necessary to acquire said parcels.**

Mrs. Chilton asked staff to explain the Mow to Own Program. Community Development Director Meadows stated the Code Enforcement staff manages the program which allows property owners within 1,000 feet of a vacant lot to care for the property for seven months during the grass-growing season and then take ownership of the property. The application fee to participate pays the filing fees to accept the property from the Clark County Auditor or Prosecutor. Planning, Zoning and Code Administrator Thompson added 150 properties have transitioned to new ownership and are no longer maintained by the City as a result of the program. Interested citizens may call 937-324-7380 for additional information.

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**34-21      Ordinance No. 21-60:    Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Gary Gilbert, Jr. dba Gilbert's Lawn Service for weed cutting and lot clearing services as needed by the City, for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.**

Mrs. Chilton asked the City Manager for clarification that the five proposed weed cutting contracts would not be for \$50,000 each. Mr. Heck noted the entire weed cutting budget for 2021 is approximately \$50,000 and can be used among all five vendors as needed.

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**35-21      Ordinance No. 21-61:    Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Bright Sights, Inc. for weed cutting and lot clearing services as needed by the City, for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.**

On motion of Mr. Rue, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**36-21      Ordinance No. 21-62:    Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Miller's Property Service, LLC for weed cutting and lot clearing services as needed by the City, for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.**

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**37-21      Ordinance No. 21-63:    Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Stinnett Industries LLC dba Cut-2-Perfection Lawn and Snow Removal Services for weed cutting and lot clearing services as needed by the City, for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.**

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**38-21      Ordinance No. 21-64:    Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with ET's Lawn Maintenance and Landscaping, LLC, for weed cutting and lot clearing services as needed by the City, for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.**

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**39-21      Ordinance No. 21-65:    Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of street materials with A & B Asphalt Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$330,750.00.**

Mr. Moore explained the authorization to purchase various street materials from three different vendors would be used by the street maintenance crews for patches and general street repairs. Mr. Moore also noted citizens may contact the Service Department to report potholes and other concerns at 937-525-5800 or on the City's website. Mr. Rue commented on the quick responses by Service crews.

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**40-21      Ordinance No. 21-66:    Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of street materials with Shelly Materials, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$327,775.00.**

On motion of Mr. Rue, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**41-21      Ordinance No. 21-67:    Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of street materials with HEI-WAY LLC for an amount not to exceed \$67,060.00.**

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**42-21      Ordinance No. 21-68:    Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of sand and gravel with Enon Sand and Gravel, LLC, for an amount not to exceed \$26,398.75.**

Mr. Moore explained the sand and gravel purchases from two separate vendors would be used by the street maintenance crews under new asphalt and with new pipe installations.

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mrs. Chilton, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**43-21      Ordinance No. 21-69: Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of sand and gravel with Mechanicsburg Sand and Gravel, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$143,572.50.**

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

### **EMERGENCY ORDINANCES**

The following emergency legislation was presented for the first time:

**11-21      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-70: Providing for Supplemental Appropriations within various funds, and declaring an emergency therein.**

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**63-21      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-71: Authorizing the acceptance of a donation from the Defense Logistics Agency of two used Recon Scout XL Throwbots valued at \$1,500.00 each, and declaring an emergency therein.**

Dr. Estrop asked for additional information on the donated items. Police Chief Graf displayed a Throwbot unit and explained they are used for camera surveillance by remote control. Chief Graf noted the Throwbot can access small spaces and areas that may be unsafe for officers. The two used items are valued at \$1,500 each and cost approximately \$15,000 new.

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**64-21      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-72: Confirming and approving the acceptance of a donation from the Springfield Township Fire Department of 37 twin-size mattresses valued at \$200.00 each for a total value of \$7,400.00, and declaring an emergency therein.**

Upon question by Mrs. Chilton, Fire Chief Miller reminded commissioners the fire stations are 24-hour operations and furniture must be replaced as needed. The Springfield Township Fire successfully secured a grant for new mattresses and offered to share the items with the City. Chief Miller and commissioners thanked the fire staff for the continued partnership with Springfield Township and other agencies.

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**65-21      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-73: Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Lease/Purchase Agreement with Truist Bank, in the principal amount of \$780,000.00 to finance the purchase of one 800 Jetter Truck and one 2020 HX12 Hydro Excavator for sewer maintenance, and one 2022 HV607 SBA Crane Truck for use by the Wastewater Treatment Plant; authorizing the City Manager, Finance Director, City Treasurer and Law Director to do all things they deem necessary to enter into and complete the subject lease transaction, and declaring an emergency therein.**

Mr. Beckdahl explained the five-year lease agreement with Truist Bank allows for the acquisition of the new equipment at a very favorable interest rate of 0.99 percent.

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**66-21      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-74: Authorizing the purchase of one 2020 HX12 Hydro Excavator from Brown Equipment Company, for an amount not to exceed \$401,995.00, through Sourcewell, pursuant to the Sourcewell Contract Purchasing Cooperative Program, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9.48 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency therein.**

Service Director Moore stated the requested excavator would replace a 2009 model in use.

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**67-21      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-75: Authorizing the purchase of one 800 Jetter Truck from Brown Equipment Company, for an amount not to exceed \$231,271.58, through Sourcewell, pursuant to the Sourcewell Contract Purchasing Cooperative Program, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9.48 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency therein.**

Mr. Moore stated the requested jetter truck would replace an existing 2014 model.

On motion of Mr. Rue, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**68-21      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-76: Authorizing the purchase of one 2022 HV607 SBA Crane Truck for an amount not to exceed \$68,137.20, from Rush Truck Centers, through the Ohio Department of Transportation Cooperative Purchasing Program in accordance with the provisions of Section 5513.01(B) of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency therein.**

Mr. Moore noted the requested crane truck would replace a 2010 model in use.

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**69-21      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-77: Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Engineering Services Agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation for the Eastern Pressure District Waterline Upgrades Project, for an amount not to exceed \$489,754.00, and declaring an emergency therein.**

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**7-19      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-78: Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with L.J. DeWeese Co., Inc. for the CLA - Sidewalk Project, PID No. 109478 for an amount not to exceed \$225,347.70, and declaring an emergency therein.**

Mrs. Chilton asked for the areas involved in the subject sidewalk project. Mr. Moore explained the project includes installation of sidewalks in areas where none currently exist. One area is the east side of North Limestone Street from Julia Turner Way north to Red Coach Drive. Another section is Home Road from Belmont Avenue west to Miracle Mile.

On motion of Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Dr. Estrop, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**84-20      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-79: Authorizing the City Manager to enter into an amendment with Tyler Technologies, Inc. fka New World Systems Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$75,979.47 for the period of April 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021, to maintain computer software used by the City's Public Safety Departments, and declaring an emergency therein.**

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**70-21      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-80: Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Host Site Agreement with BETA Technologies, Inc., for the installation of an eVTOL vertipad and flight simulator as part of the advanced air mobility campus at the Springfield-Beckley Municipal Airport, and declaring an emergency therein.**

Commissioners commented on the continued activities at the airport bringing new technology and businesses to the area.

On motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mrs. Chilton, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

**71-21      Emergency Ordinance No. 21-81: Authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Joint Development Agreement with Sommer Enterprises, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$4,063.27, and declaring an emergency therein.**

Dr. Estrop asked for additional information on the proposed agreement. Assistant City Manager and Director of Economic Development explained Sommer Enterprises is the real estate holding company for the Del West Company who purchased the last available lot at the Springfield Industrial Park. Del West has a new facility under construction to manufacture engine components for General Motors. The proposed agreement shares the cost of an electric line extension to the facility not included in the original agreement.

On motion of Mrs. Chilton, seconded by Mr. Rue, the ordinance was passed.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.

### **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

**89-20** Dr. Estrop asked the City Manager for an update on operations during the COVID-19 Pandemic and the Finance Director for a financial update. Mr. Heck indicated the number of employees impacted by exposure or sickness continues to decline each week. Law enforcement personnel in Ohio are included in the next round of vaccine eligibility, so police officers who choose to be vaccinated will soon receive their doses. Mr. Heck noted the Utility Billing and Income Tax offices located on the first floor of City Hall will reopen to the public beginning March 15<sup>th</sup>. The areas will be marked for social distancing and masks are required. The remainder of City Hall may be opened in April along with the return of in-person City Commission meetings with citizen participation.

Mr. Heck also reported the South Fountain area redevelopment plan discussions continue. Mr. Heck noted the application for funding was not granted for Phase 2 of the South Limestone Corridor Project. Other options are under consideration.

Mr. Beckdahl reported the City's finances are doing well in all funds. Income tax receipts were 2 percent over last year's receipts at the same time.

**2-21** Dr. Estrop commended the Clark County Combined Health District staff and volunteers for their COVID-19 vaccination efforts. Mr. O'Neill also noted the professionalism and ease of receiving a vaccine. Mr. Copeland agreed but noted a continued need to reach out to all parts of the community. Mr. Rue added the Rocking Horse Center also has very efficient program to administer vaccines.

**2-21** Mrs. Chilton asked for the status of the City's Government Access Channel 5 which has been dark for nearly a year. Mr. Heck explained that the Spectrum cable company required the City to switch from an analog feed to a digital feed. The equipment was purchased and installed, but the cable company has not completed their work to bring the channel back on the air. Mr. Heck noted that he and other staff members have reached out to the company with no success.

Commissioners suggested sending letters from the City Commission requesting an update and inviting them to make a presentation as a work session.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

**2-21** Mr. Marty Fagans, Director of Development Disabilities of Clark County (DDCC), accepted a proclamation proclaiming March 2021 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Springfield. Mr. Fagans explained the organization serves 1,100 individuals and families in Clark County. Dr. Estrop and Mr. Copeland both thanked Mr. Fagans, his staff and volunteers for the work done to enhance the lives of those with development disabilities. Additional information for services can be found at [www.clarkdd.org](http://www.clarkdd.org) or by calling 937-346-0754.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were received and filed:

**73-21** Notification from The Ohio History Connection of a new Springfield Downtown Historic District (Columbia, Fountain, Main and Limestone streets) listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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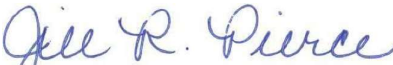
There being no further business, on motion of Dr. Estrop, seconded by Mr. Rue, the meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Yeas, Mrs. Chilton, Dr. Estrop, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Rue, and Mr. Copeland.

Yeas 5, Nays 0.



PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION



CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION